(2) May be the same for more than one year, consistent with the State's intermediate goals under §200.17.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 6311(b)(2))

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## § 200.19 Other academic indicators.

- (a) Each State must use the following other academic indicators to determine AYP:
- (1) *High schools.* (i) The graduation rate for public high schools, which means—
- (A) The percentage of students, measured from the beginning of high school, who graduate from high school with a regular diploma (not including an alternative degree that is not fully aligned with the State's academic standards, such as a certificate or a GED) in the standard number of years; or
- (B) Another definition, developed by the State and approved by the Secretary in the State plan, that more accurately measures the rate of students who graduate from high school with a regular diploma as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(A) of this section.
- (ii) In defining graduation rate, the State must avoid counting a dropout as a transfer.
- (2) Elementary and middle schools. At least one academic indicator for public elementary schools and at least one academic indicator for public middle schools, such as those under paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) The State may include additional academic indicators determined by the State, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (1) Additional State or locally administered assessments not included in the State assessment system under §200.2.
  - (2) Grade-to-grade retention rates.
  - (3) Attendance rates.
- (4) Percentages of students completing gifted and talented, advanced placement, and college preparatory courses.
- (c) A State must ensure that its other academic indicators are—
  - (1) Valid and reliable;
- (2) Consistent with relevant, nationally recognized professional and technical standards, if any; and

- (3) Consistent throughout the State within each grade span.
- (d)(1) A State may, but is not required to, increase the goals of its other academic indicators over the course of the timeline under §200.15.
  - (2) The State—
- (i) Must disaggregate its other academic indicators by each group in §200.13(b)(7) for purposes of §200.20(b)(2) and section 1111(h) of the ESEA; but
- (ii) Need not disaggregate those indicators for determining AYP except as required under section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vii) of the ESEA.
- (e) Except as provided in  $\S 200.20(b)(2)$ , a State—
- (1) May not use the indicators in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section to reduce the number, or change the identity, of schools that would otherwise be subject to school improvement, corrective action, or restructuring if those indicators were not used; but
- (2) May use the indicators to identify additional schools for school improvement, corrective action, or restructuring.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 6311(b)(2), (h))

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## § 200.20 Making adequate yearly progress.

A school or LEA makes AYP if it complies with paragraph (c) and with either paragraph (a) or (b) of this section separately in reading/language arts and in mathematics.

- (a)(1) A school or LEA makes AYP if—
- (i) Each group of students under §200.13(b)(7) meets or exceeds the State's annual measurable objectives under §200.18; and
- (ii) The school or LEA, respectively, meets or exceeds the State's other academic indicators under § 200.19.
- (2) For a group under §200.13(b)(7) to be included in the determination of AYP for a school or LEA, the number of students in the group must be sufficient to yield statistically reliable information under §200.7(a).
- (b) If students in any group under §200.13(b)(7) in a school or LEA do not meet the State's annual measurable objectives under §200.18, the school or LEA makes AYP if—